

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Colonel Dale W. Clelland's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize these patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Colonel Clelland has devoted over 35 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader in the aviation field, with service in Rapid City and Pierre, including fire suppression missions to the largest fire to ever burn in the Black Hills National Forest, and Medivac support at Joint Thunder Annual Training, and his organization and close monitoring of aviation resources, allowing the SDARNG to mobilize the largest number of soldiers since WWII; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Colonel Clelland continues to give of himself; and,

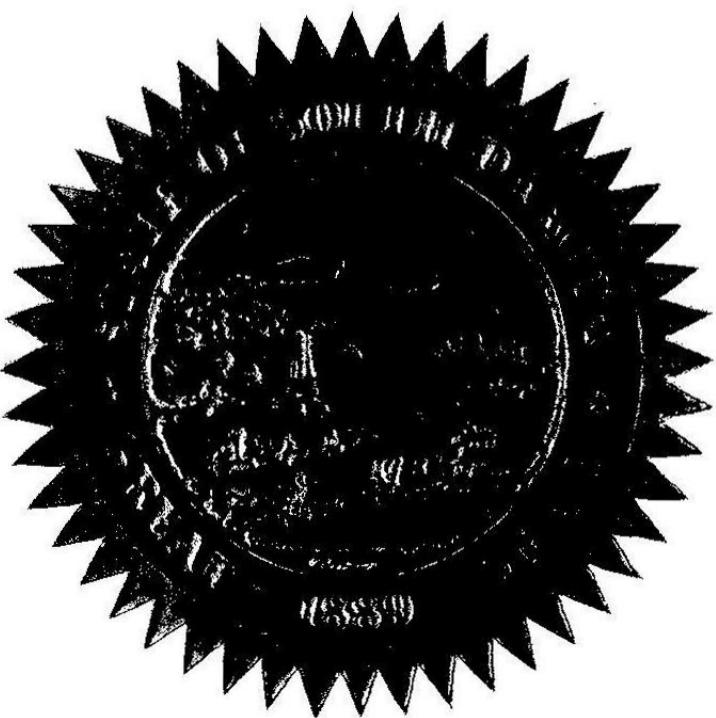
Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Colonel Dale W. Clelland for over 35 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 10, 2005, as

COLONEL DALE W. CLELLAND DAY

in South Dakota, and join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.




M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:




Chris Nelson, Secretary of State